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Song Gianh (Gianh River) and Quang Khe Port, North Vietnam.

Problem has two aspects:

- 1. To assess the navigability of the Song Gianh as far inland as Route 12, and
- 2. To determine anchorage depth of Quang Khe Port.

This information will be related (by Transportation Branch, ERA) to other data in a search for indications of any recent expansion of facilities and activity of ports in North Vietnam and South China, and of recent improvement or expansion of land transportation routes between China and Indochina.

ERA, in response to more comprehensive requirements from NIC.

OCR: to borrow documents on navigability of Vietnamese rivers if available for 5. Gianh.

No set date on above details, but entire ERA project due to NIC in two months.

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